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Alexa O'Brien  
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Dear Ms. O'Brien,

We received your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request on 18 March 2013 seeking any FOIA case files or notes regarding communications by or between Thomson Reuters Corporation and various organizations that concern the 12 July 2007 aerial weapons team Baghdad air strike in the district of New Baghdad in Baghdad and/or a video of the incident, entitled, "12 Jul 07 CZ Engagement Zone 30 GC Anyone.avi" (aka "Collateral Murder). You also requested any incident violations, security violations reporting, and investigations pertaining to the case. Your request is being processed in accordance with Title 5 U.S.C. § 552 Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act Guide and Executive Order 13526. The actual processing time for these documents will depend upon consultation with other DoD components, stateside, overseas, or other agencies.

You requested a fee waiver in your FOIA request. In order to qualify for a fee waiver, the requester must demonstrate that the information requested is of public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of operations or activities of the Government and is not primarily in the commercial interest of the requester. Unfortunately, your request fails to address, in detail, the public interest requirement. Therefore, I cannot approve your request for a fee waiver. In the alternative, you agreed to pay \$500 for this FOIA request. Therefore, you have been placed in the "Media" category for fee purposes. This means you will be obligated to pay for duplication costs after the first 100 pages (\$.15 a page).

If you are not satisfied with this action, you may appeal to the appellate authority, the Director of Administration and Management, Office of the Secretary of Defense. To submit your appeal, you should write directly to the Defense Freedom of Information Policy Office, Attn: Mr. James Hogan, 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, D.C. 20301-1155. Please postmark your appeal within 60 calendar days from the date of this letter, cite USCENCOM case #13-0182, and clearly mark "Freedom of Information Act Appeal" on your letter.

The USCENCOM FOIA Requester Service Center receives numerous FOIA requests and has a substantial number of pending FOIA cases; therefore, we process requests in a multi-track processing system based on the date of receipt and complexity of the request. The FOIA does not require agencies to respond to questions, to do research, compile or analyze data, summarize, or conduct surveys for members of the public. You should be aware that the FOIA only provides the means by which the public can request specific documents from USCENCOM. The requested documents should be described to the extent that they may be located with a reasonable amount of effort. Your FOIA is currently #205 in our queue. You can view your status on our website at: [www2.centcom.mil/sites/foia/SitePages/Home.aspx](http://www2.centcom.mil/sites/foia/SitePages/Home.aspx).

If you have any questions regarding your inquiry, please contact my FOIA Requester Service Center at (813) 827-1810, [foiaoffice@centcom.mil](mailto:foiaoffice@centcom.mil), and refer to USCENCOM case #13-0182.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DALE' with a stylized flourish at the end.

DAVID A. GALE  
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force  
Chief, Command Records Branch